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I DISCUSSED TOM'S DEVIATIONS FROM TRACK (MSN C-30IC) WITH

TERRY AFTER THE MISSION TODAY AND EXPRESSED MY CONCERN

RELATIVE TO THE IMPORTANCE OF FLYING PRECISE FLIGHT LINES.

TERRY STATED THAT TOM USED EXCELLENT JUDGEMENT IN EXTENDING

FLT LINE I-J TO GET NEW AIRFIELD AND FLT LINE M-N TO GET

SECOND PHOTO OF HAI YANG TAO NAVAL BASE. I AGREED THAT

TOM'S INITIATIVE WAS EXCELLENT IN GETTING THE NEW AIRFIELD

BY A SMALL EXTENSION OF THE LEG BUT I FELT THAT TOM WAS

NOT WISE IN EXTENDING FLT LINE M-N TO GET SECOND PHOTO OF

THE NAVAL BASE AT A CLOSER DISTANCE. TERRY DID NOT AGREE

AND FELT FLT LINE M-N SHOULD HAVE BEEN LONGER. I EXPLAINED

ABOUT FLIGHT LINES BEING A MAX OF 50 NM AND INDICATED THE

TIME TO CHANGE A FLT LINE WAS WHEN WE FIRST RECEIVE THE

CANNED ROUTES BY REQUESTING A CHANGE, BUT NOT TO CHANGE

THE FLT LINE DURING THE FLT. AFTER CONSIDERABLE DISCUSSION

I AM NOT SURE I CONVINCED TERRY THAT TOM WAS INCORRECT IN

by anyone

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EXTENDING THE PLT LINE. HOWEVER, I DO FEEL I CONVINCED
HIM THAT IN THE FUTURE WE (HE AND I) WOULD EXAMINE
EACH CANNED ROUTE WHEN IT IS RECEIVED AND REQUEST ANY CHANGES FROM
HQ AT THAT TIME. IN CONCLUSION, I BELIEVE WE WILL HAVE NO FURTHER
PROBLEMS WITH THIS SUBJECT.

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